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FOR MATLOCK FROM GARRISON

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. BOB TALKED TO VLADIMIR SAMBAIEW, THE CANDIDATE FOR GSO IN KIEV, AT SOME LENGTH TODAY. HE HAS NO EXPERIENCE IN GSO-ING, SINCE HE HAS JUST BEEN RECRUITED. BUT ON OTHER COUNTS HE SEEMS A GOOD CANDIDATE. HE SPEAKS EXCELLENT RUSSIAN AND SOME UKRAINIAN AND HAS ECONOMICS TRAINING INCLUDING ACCOUNTING. HIS FIANCEE IS AN RN STUDYING RUSSIAN. HE HAS A JACK-OF-ALL-TRADES EMPLOYMENT HISTORY, THOUGH HE IS THE FIRST TO ADMIT THAT HE HAS NO EXPERIENCE IN CONSTRUCTION. MOST IMPORTANT HE WANTS TO DO IT, AND NO AMOUNT OF GRIM STORIES ABOUT THE PROBLEMS OF SETTING UP A NEW POST WILL DISCOURAGE HIM. IDEALLY WE WOULD SEND HIM TO MOSCOW WHERE HIS WIFE WOULD WORK AS A NURSE AND SEND A MOSCOW GSO TO KIEV FOR A YEAR UNTIL THE NEW MAN LEARNED THE ROPES. IF YOU  
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HAVE ANY CANDIDATES FOR THAT, LET US KNOW PROMPTLY. OTHERWISE, HOW ABOUT BOUNCING THIS GUY OFF ROBIN TO SEE HOW HE FEELS. HE COULD GET THERE IN LATE JULY VIA ADMIN AND GSO TRAINING. THE ALTERNATIVE IS TO TRAIN AN EXPERIENCED HAND IN RUSSIAN, WHICH WOULD TAKE MONTHS, OR SEND SOMEONE WITHOUT THE LANGUAGE.

2. YOU WILL BE GETTING CABLE IN REGULAR CHANNEL NOMINATING JACK SONTAG FOR THE POL SECTION TDY THIS SUMMER. SONTAG HAS BEEN AN ANALYST OF SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY IN THE US GOVERNMENT FOR TEN YEARS AND IS CURRENTLY WORKING IN THE SOVIET DIVISION OF INR, WRITING ON SOVIET POLICIES IN EAST, SOUTH, AND SOUTHEAST ASIA. HE HAS PUBLISHED ARTICLES ON RUSSIAN AND SOVIET AFFAIRS, WAS AN EXCHANGE STUDENT IN MOSCOW IN 1959-1960, HOLDS A PH.D. IN HISTORY FROM HARVARD, AND HAS BEEN A SENIOR FELLOW AT THE RESEARCH INSTITUTE ON COMMUNIST AFFAIRS AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY. WE THINK HE'LL BE A REAL ASSET.

3. REF SAFARYAN CASE--OUR APPEAL FOR ANOTHER REVIEW ENDED UP WITH BOTH INS CO AND VO FINDING THAT HE IS INELIGIBLE UNDER 212(A)(9). THE WIFE AND CHILDREN, AS FAR AS WE KNOW, ARE STILL IN ITALY. ONE POSSIBILITY WOULD BE TO WRITE TO CONGEN NAPLES (WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN THE NAME OF MANUEL GUERRA AS THE RESPONSIBLE CONSULAR OFFICER) AND EXPLAIN THE SITUATION AND ASK IF IF THE POST WOULD BE WILLING TO ISSUE THE WIFE A NP-1 VISA. ANOTHER POSSIBILITY WOULD BE TO SEND IN A STADIS RPT STADIS CABLE LAYING OUT THE HUMANITARIAN PROBLEM, NOTING THAT THE USG HAS SEPARATED THE FAMILY, EXPLAINING THAT MR. SAFARYAN HAS NO FUTURE IN THE USSR, ETC. AND ASK THE USG TO RESOLVE THE CASE EITHER BY PAROLING IN THE HUSBAND OR FINDING A THIRD COUNTRY IN WHICH TO RESETTLE THEM. UNFORTUNATELY NEITHER IS A VERY PROMISING SOLUTION.

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4. THE CHIEF JUSTICE HAS TENTATIVELY ACCEPTED AN INVITATION TO VISIT THE USSR IN EARLY JULY OR SEPTEMBER, ACCOMPANIED BY HIS WIFE AND ONE ASSISTANT. DEPARTMENT IS IN TOUCH WITH HIM AND HIS STAFF ON PLANNING. DETAILS REMAIN TO BE WORKED ON--DEPARTMENT EXPECTS TO FUND AIR TRAVEL, WHILE SMIRNOV AND SOVIET SUPREME COURT WILL HOST IN USSR. ONE ASPECT WE BELIEVE SHOULD BE GROUND IN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IS WHERE HE WILL STAY--WOULD AMBASSADOR PROPOSE SPASO HOUSE?

5. GEVOGLANYAN CASE: WE GOT IN TOUCH WITH INS CO ABOUT EUGENIE KALOUSDIAN'S NATURALIZATION, AND THEY CALLED BACK TO SAY THAT INS LOS ANGELES HAS INVITED HER IN FOR AN INTERVIEW APRIL 19. HOWEVER, THERE IS NO COMMITMENT YET ABOUT WHEN THE NATURALIZATION PROCEDURE WILL BE COMPLETED. IF YOU THINK YOU CAN FIT GEVOGLANYAN INTO THE CRITERIA SPELLED OUT IN A-1427, WHICH IS SUPPOSED TO BE JOINT STATE-INS CRITERIA, THEN WE SUGGEST YOU GO AHEAD AND SUBMIT HIS CASE TO INS ROME, INFO SEC STATE. IF YOU DO

NOT THINK HIS CASE WOULD FIT THOSE CRITERIA, PERHAPS YOU  
COULD SUBMIT IT TO THE DEPARTMENT, INDICATING YOU EXPECT  
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